

TABLE 2.0 - Minimum Small Boat Communication and Navigation Equipment.

	DISTANCE FROM SHORE OR SUPPORT VESSEL			
EQUIPMENT	Less than 3 miles within protected Bays, Sounds or Rivers	0 - 3 Miles	3 - 20 Miles	> 20 Miles ¹
VHF Radio ^{2,3}	One	One	Two	Two
HF Radio ³	None	None	None	One
GPS or LORAN	None	One	One	Two
EPIRB	None	None	One	One
SART	None	None	None	One
Cellular or Satellite Phone	None	None	One	One

¹Vessels operating greater than 20 miles from shore may be required to comply with the provisions of the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System. GMDSS outfitting entails specific outfitting with regard to electronics such as radios capable of digital selective calling (DSC), and assignment of a Maritime Mobile Service Identity (MMSI) for each vessel. Applicability of GMDSS and other IMO requirements will be determined during the development of Vessel Operations Manuals.

²All VHF radios purchased after the effective date of this order must be equipped with Digital Selective Calling, and be able to receive NOAA National Weather Service SAME (Special Area Message Encoded) Marine Weather Alerts. VHF radios equipped with DSC require issuance of a MMSI number.

³FCC operators licenses are required.

NOTE: RADAR and depth sounders may be recommended or required minimum equipment for qualified Class II motorboats and larger craft after examination of an operational synopsis.